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News Release

90 Tobacco Retailers Recognized For Compliance Awards

(Clearfield, Utah) – The Davis County Health Department and local law enforcement

agencies have been running a program to reduce underage access to tobacco in some cities since 1989.

The following Davis County retailers have been awarded certificates of recognition for not selling tobacco products to minors. Recognition went to Sinclair Main Street Service of

Layton having been in compliance for 25 years and Saigon Market of **Sunset** with

compliance for 20 years. Fifteen year compliance award went to 7-Eleven (Main) of

Kaysville. Ten years or more in compliance was awarded to Rite Aid in **Bountiful**. Five-year compliance awards went to: Smith's Marketplace and Tesoro (Main) of **Bountiful**;

Top Stop of **Centerville**; Maverik (700 S.), Maverik (709 State), Maverik (300 N.),

Winegar's, and Super Stop Texaco of **Clearfield**; Smith's Fuel Center of **Farmington**;

RB's and Walgreens of **Kaysville**; Anwar's, Maverik (Gordon), Rite Aid, 7-Eleven (Main),

Smith's Fuel Center, and Walmart Neighborhood Market of **Layton**; Top Stop and

Winegar's of **North Salt Lake**; Walgreens, Smith's Food & Drug, and Maverik of

Syracuse; Chevron and Super Stop Texaco of **West Bountiful**; and 7-Eleven of **Woods**

Cross.

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Stores that were checked for tobacco compliance from July 2012 – June 2013 and did not sell to an underage buyer received a one-year award:

- **Bountiful:** Corner 22, Common Cents, Maverik (Main), Maverik (200 West), Slim Olsons, Smith's Fuel Center, Smokey's Discount, Smoke Dreams Hookah Accessories and Gifts.
- **Centerville:** 7-Eleven, Maverik, RB's, Walmart.
- **Clearfield:** 7-Eleven, Beirut Smoke Shop, High Coral LLC., Kent's Market, Maverik (1700 S.), Petro Mart (Conoco), RB's (Antelope), Smokey's Discount Cigarette, Super Stop/JP's (1350 E. 700 S.), Walt's Phillips 66.
- **Clinton:** Walgreens, 7-Eleven, Walmart.
- **Farmington:** Maverik, Top Stop, Smith's.
- **Kaysville:** 7-Eleven (200 N.), Fresh Market, Top Stop.
- **Layton:** Common Cents, East Layton Chevron, Walgreens, Walmart, Bonus Star Mart, Nine Star Chevron, Fresh Market, Maverik (400 W.), Maverik (Main), Maverik (Highway 193), Smith's Food and Drug, Smokey's Discount, Triple Stop (Highway 193), Triple Stop Chevron (Gentile).
- **North Salt Lake:** 195 North Salt Lake, Inc., Maverik, Hardy Enterprises (3427 S. Orchard), Flying J, Pioneer Gas and Convenience Store, Walker's Chevron.
- **Sunset:** 7-Eleven, Sunrise Enterprises Inc.
- **Syracuse:** Walmart, Smith's Fuel Center.
- **West Bountiful:** 7-Eleven (400 N.), 7-Eleven (1100 W.).
- **Woods Cross:** Apple Food Stores, RB's Interstate, Walgreens, Slim Olsons.

From July 2012 - June 2013, 431 attempts were made by underage buyers supervised by local law enforcement to purchase tobacco products, according to Davis County Health Department director Lewis Garrett. "Of those 431 attempts, 14 resulted in an illegal sale of tobacco to a minor for a county buy rate of 3.2%," he said.

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“I’m pleased with the continued downward trend from last year’s buy rate when it was 4.0%. We’re down significantly from our high of 14% we saw for the July 2006 – June 2007 timeframe,” he said. “We conduct a very robust program aimed at educating tobacco retailers how to train their clerks to identify underage buyers and it’s still showing good results,” Garrett said.

“I extend my congratulations and appreciation to the management and staff of those retailers who work hard to keep tobacco products away from underage teens,” he said.

Sale of tobacco products to a person under 19 is a Class C Misdemeanor on the first offense. Clerks are issued citations at the time of the violation. In addition, store owners are subject to civil penalties for sale of tobacco to an underage buyer. Stores receive fines for the first two violations and a 30-day tobacco license suspension on the third violation. Upon the fourth violation within a 12-month period, the store’s license to sell tobacco will be revoked. A store’s fine may be reduced if they have a documented training program and proof that their employee was trained.

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